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	CONTENT STANDARD 1.0: TRADE MATH				
	Performance Standard 1.1: Basic Math				
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average
1.1.1	Perform addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division calculations of whole numbers.	9	34	48	2.43
1.1.2	Perform addition and subtraction calculations of common fractions.	19	39	33	2.15
1.1.3	Perform multiplication and division calculations of common fractions.	27	38	26	1.99
1.1.4	Perform addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division calculations of decimal fractions.	26	37	28	2.02
1.1.5	Perform ratio and proportion calculations.	33	37	20	1.86
1.1.6	Perform percent, percentage, and discount calculations.	26	42	23	1.97
	Perform angular, length, and converted temperature measure calculations.	19	43	29	2.11
1.1.8	Perform area calculations.	19	41	31	2.13
1.1.9	Perform volume calculations.	22	41	25	2.03
1.1.10	Solve basic equations.	16	35	39	2.26
1.1.11	Demonstrate the use of order of operations.	22	34	35	2.14
				Answered	91
				Skipped	3

	CONTENT STANDARD 2.0: GENERAL SAFETY Performance Standard 2.1: Workplace Safety				
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average
.1.1	Describe potential excavation site hazards.	27	34	27	2.00
2.1.2	Explain proper personal protective equipment (PPE) use.	12	38	39	2.30
2.1.3	Describe proper material handling, storage, use, and disposal.	12	44	34	2.24
2.1.4	Describe ladder, stairway, and scaffold hazards and proper use.	4	43	43	2.43
2.1.5	Describe jobsite electrical hazards and proper lockout/tagout use.	7	22	61	2.60
2.1.6	Describe proper refrigerant and pressure vessel use and storage.	8	27	55	2.52
.1.7	Identify safety data sheets (SDS) properties of chemicals specific to HVAC.	11	46	33	2.24
.1.8	Identify and describe environmental hazards (e.g., lead, silica, asbestos, carbon monoxide).	12	35	43	2.34
1.9	Identify the hazards associated with confined spaces.	14	34	41	2.30
.10	Use appropriate fire extinguishers and other safety devices.	13	31	46	2.37
.11	Describe the importance of safety procedures for brazing and soldering.	6	32	52	2.51
				Answered	90
				Skipped	4

	CONTENT STANDARD 3.0: TOOLS AND MATERIALS							
	Performance Standard 3.1: Power and Hand To	Performance Standard 3.1: Power and Hand Tool Use						
	Answer Choices Nice to Need to Critica							
		Know	Know	to Know	Average			
3.1.1	Describe proper use of hand tools used in the HVAC Industry.	9	49	30	2.24			
3.1.2	Describe proper use of power tools used in the HVAC Industry.	9	44	35	2.30			
	Describe proper use of various types of torches.	14	43	31	2.19			
3.1.4	Describe proper use of piping and tubing fabrication tools.	12	49	26	2.16			
				Answered	88			
				Skipped	6			

	Performance Standard 3.2: Tubing and Piping				
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average
	Identify the purpose of the piping, tubing, and fittings used in the heating, air-conditioning, and refrigeration industry.	9	44	35	2.30
3.2.2	Identify appropriate brazing and soldering alloys and materials.	12	37	39	2.31
3.2.3	Explain the purposes and procedures for protecting piping materials and fabrication, such as valves, fittings, and products from heat.	11	37	40	2.33
				Answered	88
				Skipped	6

	CONTENT STANDARD 4.0: FUEL GAS PIPING AND VENTING						
	Performance Standard 4.1: Fuel Gas Piping and	d Venting	3				
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
4.1.1	Identify HVAC Idaho Administrative Procedures Act (IDAPA) rules and statutes.	20	44	20	2.00		
4.1.2	Define key terms as applied to the International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC).	22	38	24	2.02		
4.1.3	Describe the building structural safety requirements for fuel gas equipment installation.	14	36	34	2.24		
4.1.4	Determine proper fuel gas equipment combustion, ventilation, and dilution air requirements.	7	29	48	2.49		
4.1.5	Identify the requirements for installation of fuel gas fired equipment in a masonry chimney.	10	37	37	2.32		
4.1.6	Identify fuel gas equipment location, access, and service space requirements.	7	39	38	2.37		
4.1.7	Describe proper appliance condensate disposal and clearance reduction methods.	9	52	23	2.17		
4.1.8	Perform gas pipe sizing exercises.	9	42	33	2.29		
4.1.9	Identify proper gas pipe installation methods.	8	39	37	2.35		
4.1.10	Describe proper gas pipe inspection, testing, and purging procedures.	7	38	39	2.38		
4.1.11	Describe chimney and vent types and construction.	11	48	25	2.17		

4.1.22	Determine combustion air location and sizing requirements.	5	28	50	2.54
4.1.21	Determine mechanical equipment location, access, and service space requirements.	8	44	32	2.29
4.1.20	Determine specific fuel gas appliance installation requirements.	12	36	36	2.29
	Determine capacity penalties for offsets in common vent and vent connectors.	15	44	25	2.12
	Perform multiple appliance category I vent sizing exercises.	11	47	26	2.18
4.1.17	Perform single appliance category I vent sizing exercises.	10	49	25	2.18
	Describe category I venting principles.	13	44	27	2.17
4.1.15	Identify proper gas vent connector installation requirements.	7	47	30	2.27
4.1.14	characteristics.	16	41	27	2.13
4.1.13	Determine gas vent installation requirements.	6	44	33	2.33
4.1.12	Determine chimney installation requirements.	13	45	26	2.15

	CONTENT STANDARD 5.0: ENERGY SOURCES							
	Performance Standard 5.1: Energy Sources							
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average			
^ 1 11	Explain natural, LP gas, and fuel oil combustion characteristics.	22	37	23	2.01			
5.1.2	Describe the application of geothermal systems.	47	28	5	1.48			
	Describe the application of renewable energy systems.	49	26	6	1.47			
.). I . 4 I	Describe the application of electric production systems.	46	27	8	1.53			
				Answered	82			
				Skipped	12			

	CONTENT STANDARD 6.0: BASIC SYSTEMS OVERVIEW							
	Performance Standard 6.1: Basic Systems Overview							
	Answer Choices	Nice to	Need to	Critical	Rating			
		Know	Know	to Know	Average			
6.1.1	Describe fossil-fuel and electrical furnace operations.	16	45	20	2.05			
6.1.2	Describe the typical configuration of residential split air conditioning systems.	11	5	20	2.11			
6.1.3	List various types of commercial air conditioning systems and their application.	26	41	14	1.85			
0.1.41	Describe the configuration of common duct systems.	13	51	17	2.05			
				Answered	81			
				Skipped	13			

	CONTENT STANDARD 7.0: INTRO TO APPLIED SCIENCE						
	Performance Standard 7.1: Intro to Applied Science						
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
7.1.1	Perform energy conversion calculations.	43	31	7	1.56		
7.1.2	Perform sensible, latent, and total heat calculations.	33	32	16	1.79		
7.1.3	and subcooled retrigerant.	17	34	30	2.16		
7.1.4	Explain atmospheric, absolute, and gauge pressure relationship.	25	40	16	1.89		
7.1.5	Convert gauge pressure, absolute pressure, and vacuum.	28	34	19	1.89		
7.1.6	Diagram a basic refrigeration cycle identifying pressure, temperature, and state of refrigerant.	18	36	27	2.11		
7.1.7	List the type and function of the four major refrigeration components.	13	42	25	2.15		
7.1.8	Describe the methods of heat transfer.	18	41	22	2.05		
	Answered						
				Skipped	13		

	CONTENT STANDARD 8.0: APPLIANCE INSTALLATION						
	Performance Standard 8.1: Appliance Installation						
	Answer Choices	Nice to	Need to	Critical	Rating		
		Know	Know	to Know	Average		
8.1.1	Apply National Electric Code (NEC) standards to HVAC electrical circuit installations.	18	41	21	2.04		
0.1.2	Interpret HVAC manufacturer electrical name plate data.	17	29	33	2.20		
8.1.3	Apply appropriate code standards to appliance installation.	8	32	40	2.40		
8.1.4	Describe gas, oil, and electrical appliance installation, start-up, and checkout procedures.	10	36	34	2.30		
8.1.5	Describe sheet metal, fiberglass, and flex duct installation procedures.	17	47	16	1.99		
8.1.6	Describe split and packaged air conditioning system installation, start-up, and checkout procedures.	9	51	19	2.13		
				Answered	80		
				Skipped	14		

CONTENT STANDARD 9.0: INTRODUCTION TO CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Performance Standard 9.1: Introduction to Construction Drawings and Specifications

	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average
9.1.1	Describe the application of architectural plans and specifications.	33	34	10	1.70
9.1.2	Interpret mechanical, plumbing, and electrical drawing symbols.	20	39	18	1.97
9.1.3	Interpret specification documents and apply to plans.	29	31	18	1.86
	Interpret shop drawings and apply to plans and specifications.	25	34	19	1.92
9.1.5	Describe a submittal and its derivation, routing, and makeup.	40	30	8	1.59
9.1.6	Develop cut lists for duct runs from shop drawings.	35	31	12	1.71
9 1 / 1	Interpret as-built modifications on HVAC mechanical plans.	31	32	15	1.79
9.1.8	Perform HVAC equipment and material takeoff.	35	31	12	1.71
				Answered	78
				Skipped	16

	CONTENT STANDARD 10.0: BASIC ELECTRICI Performance Standard 10.1: Basic Electricity	• •			
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average
10.1.1	Describe basic electrical theory.	18	34	25	2.09
10.1.2	Describe series, parallel, and combination circuit characteristics.	24	31	22	1.97
10.1.3	Calculate electrical circuit values.	33	31	13	1.74
10.1.4	Describe electrical meter functions.	22	37	18	1.95
10.1.5	Measure electrical circuit values.	20	35	22	2.03
10.1.6	Identify electrical symbols.	21	34	22	2.01
10.1.7	Draw basic HVAC electrical circuit diagrams.	25	33	19	1.92
10.1.8	Interpret basic residential HVAC schematic diagrams.	15	33	29	2.18
10.1.9	Interpret basic commercial HVAC schematic diagrams.	22	31	24	2.03
0.1.10	Explain AC circuit characteristics.	18	42	17	1.99
0.1.11	Describe power distribution transformer systems.	33	35	8	1.67
0.1.12	Calculate HVAC branch circuit conductor, breaker, and disconnect sizes.	29	31	17	1.84
0.1.13	Describe basic motor theory.	24	41	11	1.83
0.1.14	Describe the five single-phase motor types.	35	35	7	1.64
0.1.15	Identify single-phase motor diagrams.	26	36	15	1.86
0.1.16	Explain single-phase motor starting relay operation.	29	39	9	1.74
0.1.17	Calculate motor capacitor replacement values.	26	40	11	1.81
	Explain three-phase motor operation.	25	41	11	1.82
	Explain ECM motor operation.	28	36	12	1.79
0.1.20	Perform Ohm's law calculations to series	25	33	18	1.91
				Answered	77
				Skipped	17

	CONTENT STANDARD 11.0: INDOOR AIR QUALITY					
	Performance Standard 11.1: Indoor Air Quality					
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average	
	Describe indoor air quality (IAQ) factors as related to HVAC.	26	41	9	1.78	
111111111	Identify various indoor air quality pollutant and pollutant pathways.	34	34	8	1.66	
111131	Describe indoor air quality evaluation and measurement tools.	36	34	6	1.61	
11.1.4	Explain appropriate prevention, control, and resolution strategies for IAQ issues.	35	33	8	1.64	
11.1.5	Identify when to involve IAQ professionals as necessary.	28	39	8	1.73	
				Answered	76	
				Skipped	18	

	CONTENT STANDARD 12.0: RESIDENTIAL LOAD CALCULATIONS					
	Performance Standard 12.1: Residential Load (
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average	
12.1.1	Identify the importance of heat load calculation in building design.	24	34	18	1.92	
12.1.2	Differentiate sensible, latent, and total heat gain/loss.	30	30	16	1.82	
12.1.3	Determine U values and R values for various building construction components.	39	24	13	1.66	
12.1.4	Calculate Btu gain/loss values using HTM and temperature difference factors.	40	23	13	1.64	
12.1.5	Determine heating and cooling load temperature difference and daily range values.	40	22	14	1.66	
12.1.6	Explain the relationship between house orientation and solar heat gain.	43	20	12	1.59	
12.1.7	Conduct building component area and volume calculations from construction drawings.	47	18	11	1.53	
12.1.8	Conduct winter/summer infiltration calculations using Manual J procedures.	42	23	11	1.59	
	Conduct heat gain calculations using Manual J procedures.	37	26	13	1.68	
12.1.10	Conduct heat loss calculations using Manual J procedures.	37	26	13	1.68	
12.1.11	Determine sensible, latent, and total heat for house block and room values.	43	21	12	1.59	
				Answered	76	
				Skipped	18	

	CONTENT STANDARD 13.0: BASIC CONTROLS Performance Standard 13.1: Basic Controls					
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average	
13.1.1	Differentiate between operating and safety controls.	10	33	31	2.28	
13.1.2	Describe the sequence of operation of standing pilot, intermittent, and direct ignition control systems.	11	32	30	2.26	
13.1.3	Interpret basic gas furnace wiring diagrams.	7	35	30	2.32	
13.1.4	Explain oil furnace primary control operation.	22	38	13	1.88	
13.1.5	Describe electric furnace operating sequence.	12	38	23	2.15	
13.1.6	Describe hydronic heating system controls.	27	33	13	1.81	
13.1.7	Describe basic motor circuit troubleshooting procedures.	14	37	21	2.10	
13.1.8	Interpret packaged and split air conditioning systems and wiring diagrams.	15	36	22	2.10	
13.1.9	Identify commercial and industrial air conditioning system control methods.	25	28	19	1.92	
13.1.10	Describe basic electronic control system troubleshooting procedures.	16	29	28	2.16	
				Answered	74	
				Skipped	20	

	CONTENT STANDARD 14.0: SYSTEM AIR FLOW AND DUCT SIZING						
	Performance Standard 14.1: System Air Flow and Duct Sizing						
	Answer Choices	Nice to	Need to	Critical	Rating		
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14.1.1	Describe basic air flow characteristics.	12	44	17	2.07		
14.1.2	Explain duct system pressures.	18	38	16	1.97		
14.1.3	Calculate duct system air flow.	18	37	17	1.99		
14.1.4	Determine proper air flow requirements.	12	43	17	2.07		
14.1.5	Describe air distribution system configurations.	22	36	14	1.89		
14.1.6	Select primary heating/cooling equipment using nationally recognized standards.	25	33	14	1.85		
14.1.7	Determine air-side component pressure drops from manufacturer tables.	29	31	12	1.76		
14.1.8	Sketch a residential duct system layout using nationally recognized standards.	29	33	10	1.74		
14.1.9	Determine duct size based on nationally recognized standards.	19	34	19	2.00		
	Answered						
				Skipped	21		

	CONTENT STANDARD 15.0: BASIC AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION Performance Standard 15.1: Basic Air Conditioning and Refrigeration						
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
15.1.1	Explain latent, sensible, and total heat differences.	21	35	15	1.92		
15.1.2	Diagram refrigeration cycle conditions and components.	20	33	16	1.94		
15.1.3	Explain pressure-enthalpy diagrams.	35	21	14	1.70		
15.1.4	Describe compressor design differences, efficiencies, and applications.	30	27	13	1.76		
15.1.5	Explain water/air-cooled condenser operation and performance.	29	29	12	1.76		
15.1.6	Describe metering device design and operation.	18	35	17	1.99		
15.1.7	Describe refrigeration accessory components and operation.	23	31	16	1.90		
15.1.8	Describe evaporator types.	23	34	13	1.86		
15.1.9	Identify proper refrigerant line sizing and installation practices.	14	32	24	2.14		
15.1.10	Explain various refrigerant physical and chemical properties.	32	24	14	1.74		
15.1.11	Explain refrigerant oil properties and application.	27	28	15	1.83		
15.1.12	Describe proper refrigeration system access procedures.	20	30	20	2.00		
15.1.13	Differentiate between recovered, recycled, and reclaimed refrigerant.	12	36	22	2.14		
15.1.14	Describe proper refrigerant recovery, evacuation, and charging procedures.	9	32	29	2.29		
15.1.15	Describe the operation of a variable refrigerant flow system.	24	30	16	1.89		
				Answered	71		
				Skipped	23		

	CONTENT STANDARD 16.0: INTRODUCTION TO HYDRONIC SYSTEMS						
	Performance Standard 16.1: Introduction to Hydronic Systems						
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
16.1.1	Identify hydronic piping system configurations.	39	23	9	1.58		
16.1.2	Describe hydronic system components.	36	26	8	1.60		
16.1.3	Explain hydronic systems drain and fill procedures.	37	25	8	1.59		
16.1.4	Diagram basic hydronic system control circuits.	40	21	8	1.54		
	Answered						
				Skipped	23		

	CONTENT STANDARD 17.0: BASIC SHEET METAL						
	Performance Standard 17.1: Basic Sheet Metal						
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
17.1.1	Define sheet metal layout terms.	33	28	10	1.68		
17.1.2	Explain parallel line development procedures.	42	19	9	1.53		
17.1.3	Layout and fabricate the following sheet metal fitting: Pittsburgh seam and square elbow.	30	29	11	1.73		
17.1.4	Layout and fabricate the following sheet metal fitting: 90 degree elbow and transition.	32	27	11	1.70		
17.1.5	Explain radial line development procedures.	43	18	9	1.51		
17.1.6	Layout and fabricate the following sheet metal fitting: symmetrical tapered duct.	36	22	12	1.66		
17.1.7	Layout and fabricate the following sheet metal fitting: square to square tapered duct.	33	26	11	1.69		
17.1.8	Layout and fabricate the following sheet metal fitting: two-way offset transition.	36	24	10	1.63		
17.1.9	Layout and fabricate the following sheet metal fitting: tapered duct section.	35	25	10	1.64		
17.1.10	Explain triangulation development procedures.	36	25	9	1.61		
				Answered	71		
				Skipped	23		

	CONTENT STANDARD 18.0: INTRODUCTION TO SERVICE						
	Performance Standard 18.1: Introduction to Service						
	Answer Choices Nice to Need to Critical I						
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18.1.1	Identify air conditioning system problems.	11	33	27	2.23		
18.1.2	Prescribe air conditioning system problem solutions.	12	32	26	2.20		
18.1.3	Identify gas heating system problems.	9	32	28	2.28		
18.1.4	Prescribe gas heating system problem solutions.	11	32	26	2.22		
18.1.5	Identify oil heating system problems.	21	33	16	1.93		
18.1.6	Prescribe oil heating system problem solutions.	25	31	14	1.84		
18.1.7	Identify electric heating system problems.	11	35	24	2.19		
18.1.8	Prescribe electric heating system problem solutions.	14	32	23	2.13		
18.1.9	List gas, oil, and electric heating and air conditioning maintenance procedures.	13	36	21	2.11		
	Answered						
				Skipped	23		

	CONTENT STANDARD 19.0: FUNDAMENTALS OF PSYCHOMETRICS							
	Performance Standard 19.1: Fundamentals of Psychometrics							
	Answer Choices Nice to Need to Critical							
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19.1.1	Explain psychometric properties.	45	21	4	1.41			
	Diagram psychometric conditions.	48	17	4	1.36			
19.1.3	Describe comfort conditions as applied to psychometric properties.	47	18	4	1.38			
19.1.4	Use the psychometric chart to measure enthalpy.	46	19	4	1.39			
				Answered	70			
				Skipped	24			

	CONTENT STANDARD 20.0: TESTING AND BALANCING						
	Performance Standard 20.1: Testing and Balancing						
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
70 1 1	Describe air flow and water flow measuring devices.	32	30	8	1.66		
7017	Explain basic air flow and water flow balancing procedures.	31	30	8	1.67		
				Answered	70		
				Skipped	24		

	CONTENT STANDARD 21.0: INTRODUCTION TO HVAC CONTROL STRATEGIES							
	Performance Standard 21.1: Introduction to HVAC Control Strategies							
	Answer Choices	Need to	Critical	Rating				
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21.1.1	Describe basic HVAC control principles.	14	42	14	2.00			
21.1.2	Interpret basic HVAC pneumatic control	38	3 23	8	1.57			
21.1.2	diagrams.	30	23	O	1.57			
21.1.3	Explain DDC control system basic operation.	38	26	5	1.52			
	Answered							
				Skipped	24			

	CONTENT STANDARD 22.0: ADVANCED HVAC SYSTEMS						
	Performance Standard 22.1: HVAC Systems						
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average		
22.1.1	Explain commercial fan coil unit operation.	31	27	11	1.71		
22.1.2	Explain package unit building system configurations.	32	27	10	1.68		
22.1.3	Describe building chilled water system operation.	42	21	6	1.48		
// 4	Describe induced and forced draft cooling tower operation.	44	18	6	1.44		
				Answered	70		
				Skipped	24		

	Performance Standard 22.2: Heat Pump Systems					
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average	
22.2.1	Explain heat pump heating and cooling cycles.	12	35	23	2.16	
////	Describe the purpose and operation of various heat pump components.	11	37	21	2.14	
22.2.3	Prescribe heat pump charging procedures.	10	34	25	2.22	
22.2.4	Differentiate heat pump time/temperature and demand defrost control systems.	16	31	22	2.09	
22.2.5	applications.	31	26	12	1.72	
22.2.6	Describe water-to-air and air-to-water heat pump operation.	26	31	12	1.80	
				Answered	70	
				Skipped	24	

	CONTENT STANDARD 23.0: ADVANCED TROUBLESHOOTING					
	Performance Standard 23.1: Advanced Troubleshooting					
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average	
23.1.1	Describe air flow troubleshooting procedures.	16	36	17	2.01	
23.1.2	Determine operating conditions at variable loads.	27	29	13	1.80	
23.1.3	Describe refrigeration side troubleshooting procedures.	16	32	21	2.07	
23.1.4	Troubleshoot residential and commercial control systems.	14	36	19	2.07	
23.1.5	Interpret manufacturer schematics.	10	35	23	2.19	
23.1.6	Analyze furnace troubleshooting values.	11	41	17	2.09	
23.1.7	Apply furnace troubleshooting values.	12	38	19	2.10	
				Answered	69	
				Skipped	25	

	CONTENT STANDARD 24.0: CODE REVIEW					
	Performance Standard 24.1: Code Review					
	Answer Choices	Nice to Know	Need to Know	Critical to Know	Rating Average	
24.1.1	Apply international fuel gas code standards.	11	31	27	2.23	
24.1.2	Apply international mechanical code standards.	12	31	26	2.20	
24.1.3	Apply HVAC rules and statutes as it pertains to the IDAPA administrative code.	14	29	26	2.17	
				Answered	69	
				Skipped	25	